

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S9665–S9740*

**Measures Introduced:** Eight bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1437–1444, and S. Res. 198. **Page S9708**

**Measures Reported:**

Reported on Monday, July 21, during the adjournment:

S. 481, to amend chapter 84 of title 5, United States Code, to provide that certain Federal annuity computations are adjusted by 1 percentage point relating to periods of receiving disability payments. (S. Rept. No. 108–108)

S. 926, to amend section 5379 of title 5, United States Code, to increase the annual and aggregate limits on student loan repayments by Federal agencies. (S. Rept. No. 108–109)

Reported on Today:

S. 908, to establish the United States Consensus Council to provide for a consensus building process in addressing national public policy issues, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 108–110)

S. 1416, to implement the United States-Chile Free Trade Agreement.

S. 1417, to implement the United States-Singapore Free Trade Agreement. **Page S9708**

**Measures Indefinitely Postponed:**

**Floyd Spence Post Office Building:** Senate indefinitely postponed S. 508, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1830 South Lake Drive in Lexington, South Carolina, as the “Floyd Spence Post Office Building”. **Page S9740**

**Michael J. Healy Post Office Building:** Senate indefinitely postponed S. 708, to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 7401 West 100th Place in Bridgeview, Illinois, as the “Michael J. Healy Post Office Building”. **Page S9740**

**Patsy Takemoto Mink Post Office Building:** Senate indefinitely postponed S. 1145, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at

120 Baldwin Avenue in Paia, Maui, Hawaii, as the “Patsy Takemoto Mink Post Office Building”. **Page S9740**

**Homeland Security Appropriations:** Senate continued consideration of H.R. 2555, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (which will be considered as original text for further amendments), taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

**Pages S9672–97**

Pending:

Reid Amendment No. 1318, to appropriate \$20,000,000 to the Office for Domestic Preparedness to be used for grants to urban areas with large tourist populations. **Pages S9681–84**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 43 yeas to 50 nays (Vote No. 291), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, with respect to the Byrd Modified Amendment No. 1317, to fulfill Homeland Security promises. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, was sustained, and the amendment thus falls. **Pages S9680–97**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 10 a.m., on Wednesday, July 23, 2003. **Page S9740**

**Appointments:**

**British-American Interparliamentary Group:** The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, and upon the recommendation of the Minority Leader, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2761, as amended, appointed Senator Sarbanes, of Maryland, as a delegate of the Senate Delegation to the British-American Interparliamentary Group conference during the 108th Congress. **Pages S9739–40**

**Messages From the President:** Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting a report detailing the progress of spending by the executive branch during the first two quarters of Fiscal Year 2003 in support of Plan Colombia; to the Committee on Appropriations. (PM-46) **Page S9707**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Peter Lichtenbaum, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

Kerry N. Weems, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services.

4 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, Navy. **Page S9740**

**Messages From the House:** **Page S9707**

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**Authority for Committees to Meet:** **Page S9739**

**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—291) **Page S9697**

**Recess:** Senate met at 9:46 a.m., and recessed at 7:23 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Wednesday, July 23, 2003. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S9740.)

## House of Representatives

### *Chamber Action*

**Measures Introduced:** 10 public bills, H.R. 2713-2822; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 248-249, were introduced. **Pages H7328-29**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H7329-30**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 2738, to implement the United States-Chile Free Trade Agreement (H. Rept. 108-224, Pt. 2);

H.R. 2739, to implement the United States-Singapore Free Trade Agreement (H. Rept. 108-225, Pt. 2);

Report on the Revised Suballocation of Budget Allocations for Fiscal Year 2004 (H. Rept. 108-228); and

H. Res. 329, providing for consideration of H.R. 2738, to implement the United States-Chile Free Trade Agreement, and for consideration of H.R. 2739, to implement the United States-Singapore Free Trade Agreement (H. Rept. 108-229). **Page H7328**

**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Burgess to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H7229**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 9:51 a.m. and reconvened at 10 a.m. **Pages H7234-35**

**Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations:** The House agreed

to H. Res. 327, the rule that is providing for consideration of H.R. 2800, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, by voice vote. **Pages H7237-41**

**Commerce, Justice, and State, Judiciary, and Related Agencies Appropriations:** The House completed general debate and began considering amendments to H.R. 2799, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004. Consideration will resume on Wednesday, July 23. **Pages H7248-H7319**

**Agreed To:**

Weldon of Florida amendment that prohibits funding for patent applications for human organisms; **Page H7274**

Hostettler amendment that prohibits any funds to be used to enforce the judgment in *Newdow v. U.S. Congress*, dealing with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance (agreed to by recorded vote of 307 ayes to 119 noes, Roll No. 406); **Pages H7277-78, H7298**

Rohrabacher amendment that prohibits any funds to be used by the Department of Justice or the Department of State to file a motion in any court opposing civil actions in which a plaintiff alleges that as an American prisoner or war during World War II, he or she was used as slave or forced labor by a Japanese person or corporation; **Page H7289**

Otter amendment that sought to prohibit any funds to be used to seek a delay under Section. 213, Authority for Delaying Notice of the Execution of a Warrant, of the Patriot Act (Section 3103a(b) of title 18 United States Code) agreed to by recorded vote of 309 ayes to 118 noes, Roll No. 408);

**Pages H7289–93, H7299–H7300**

Fossella amendment that prohibits funds to any United Nations commission, organization, or affiliated agency that is chaired or presided over by a country associated with support for acts of international terrorism;

**Pages H7300–01**

Jackson-Lee of Texas No. 9 printed in the Congressional Record of July 21 that prohibits funds to be used to destroy or conceal physical and electronic records and documents related to the use of Federal agency resources in any action involving or relating to members of the Texas Legislature during the period beginning May 11, 2003 and ending May 16, 2003;

**Pages H7311–13**

Rejected:

Paul amendment No. 10 printed in the Congressional Record of July 21 that sought to strike funds for the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (rejected by recorded vote of 145 ayes to 279 noes, Roll No. 405);

**Pages H7275–76, H7297–98**

Hinchey amendment No. 2 printed in the Congressional Record of July 21 that sought to prohibit funds to the Federal Communications Commission for implementing the media ownership rules (rejected by recorded vote of 174 ayes to 254 noes, Roll No. 407);

**Pages H7278–88, H7298–99**

Tancredo amendment that sought to prohibit funds to any State or local government entity that restricts information to or from the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement of the Department of Homeland Security concerning the citizenship or immigration status of any individual (rejected by recorded vote of 122 ayes to 305 noes, Roll No. 409);

**Pages H7293–95, H7300**

Withdrawn:

King of Iowa amendment No. 13 printed in the Congressional Record of July 21 was offered, but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to prohibit any funds for negotiating trade agreements which create or expand a non-immigrant visa category authorizing the temporary entry of professionals into the United States; and

**Pages H7288–89**

Jackson-Lee enbloc amendment consisting of Nos. 3, 4, 5, 6, and 8 printed in the Congressional Record of July 21 was offered, but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to prohibit funds to regulate consular identification cards issued by foreign missions in the United States; prohibit the extension of certain visas; identify uses for visa fees; encourage

the study of “good time” for persons incarcerated for non-violent crimes; and allow the use of technical assistance to small business concerns participating in the rebuilding of Iraq and Afghanistan.

**Pages H7313–15**

Point of Order sustained against:

Provision regarding travel expenses for the Federal Communications Commission;

**Pages H7262–63**

Provision regarding travel expenses for the Federal Trade Commission;

**Page H7263**

Section 607 of the bill regarding a sense of Congress that equipment and products purchased should be American-made;

**Page H7268**

Proceedings Postponed:

Ose amendment was offered that seeks to prohibit any funding to issue visas to anyone who violates the child abduction provisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act;

**Pages H7295–97**

Hostettler amendment was offered that seeks to prohibit funds to enforce the judgment of the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit in *Glassworth v. Moore* dealing with the display of the Ten Commandments;

**Pages H7301–02**

Hinchey amendment No. 1 printed in the Congressional Record of July 21 that seeks to prohibit any funds to be used to prevent Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Maine, Maryland, Nevada, Oregon, or Washington from implementing State laws authorizing the use of medical marijuana in those States;

**Pages H7302–11**

Rush amendment that seeks to prohibit funds to be used for the sentencing phase of any Federal prosecution in which the death penalty is sought by the United States; and

**Pages H7315–16**

Levin amendment that seeks to prohibit any funding to negotiate a Free Trade Area of the Americas (FTAA) or a Central American Free Trade Agreement (CAFTA) unless various conditions are met.

**Pages H7316–19**

Motions to Rise:

Rejected the Saunders motion that the Committee rise by a recorded vote of 77 ayes to 335 noes, Roll. No. 402.

**Pages H7265–66**

Rejected the Saunders motion that the Committee rise by a recorded vote of 84 ayes to 319 noes, Roll. No. 403.

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Rejected the Kucinich motion that the Committee rise by a recorded vote of 75 ayes to 309 noes, Roll. No. 404.

**Pages H7268–69**

Agreed to the unanimous consent request made by Representative Wolf to limit the amendments offered to the bill.

**Pages H7274–75**

H. Res. 326, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to by voice vote. Earlier

agreed to order the previous question by ye-a-and-nay vote of 221 yeas to 199 nays, Roll No. 401.

Pages H7241–47

**Tax Relief, Simplification, and Equity Act Motions To Instruct Conferees:** The House completed debate on the Ross motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 1308, Tax Relief, Simplification, and Equity Act, that was noted on July 21. Further proceedings on the motion were postponed. Earlier, Representative Bishop of New York announced his intention to offer a motion to instruct conferees on the bill.

Pages H7319–20, H7320–26

**Question of Privilege:** Representative Levin gave notice of his intention to offer a resolution concerning a question of privilege under Rule 9.

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**Presidential Message—Plan Colombia:** Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted a report detailing the progress of spending during the first two quarters of fiscal year 2003 in support of Plan Colombia—referred to the Committees on International Relations and Appropriations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 108–104).

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**Senate Messages:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H7229.

**Referral:** S. 1435 was held at the desk.

**Amendments:** Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H7330–31.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** One ye-a-and-nay vote and eight recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H7246–47, H7265–66, H7268, H7269, H7297, H7298, H7298–99, H7299, and H7300. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 9 a.m., and adjourned at 11:25 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### NOMINATIONS

**Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:** Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Mark C. Brickell, of New York, to be Director of the Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Alicia R. Castaneda, of the District of Columbia, to be a Director of the Federal Housing Finance Board, and Thomas J. Curry, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

### NATIONAL FOREST RESTORATION

**Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:** Committee concluded hearings to examine S. 1314, to expedite procedures for hazardous fuels reduction activities on National Forest System lands established from the public domain and other public lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management, to improve the health of National Forest System lands established from the public domain and other public lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management, and H.R. 1904, to improve the capacity of the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to plan and conduct hazardous fuels reduction projects on National Forest System lands and Bureau of Land Management lands aimed at protecting communities, watersheds, and certain other at-risk lands from catastrophic wildfire, to enhance efforts to protect watersheds and address threats to forest and rangeland health, including catastrophic wildfire, across the landscape, S. 1352, to expedite procedures for hazardous fuels reduction activities and restoration in wildland fire prone National Forests, to examine the impacts of insects, disease, weather-related damage, and fires on public and private forest lands, processes for implementing forest health and hazardous fuels reduction projects on public and private lands, and processes for implementing forest health and hazardous fuels reduction projects, after receiving testimony from Mark Rey, Under Secretary of Agriculture for Natural Resources and Environment; Rebecca Watson, Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Land and Minerals Management; Montana Governor Judy Martz, Helena, and Arizona Governor Janet Napolitano, Phoenix, both on behalf of the Western Governors' Association; Sara Duncan, Denver Water Board, Denver, Colorado; Michael Nivison, Otero County Commissioner, Otero, New Mexico; Laura McCarthy, Forest Trust, Santa Fe, New Mexico; Tom Robinson, Grand Canyon Trust, and W. Wallace Covington, Northern Arizona University Ecological Restoration Institute, both of Flagstaff, Arizona; and Bruce Vincent, Communities for a Great Northwest, Libby Montana.

### HEAD START AUTHORIZATION

**Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:** Committee concluded hearings to examine proposed legislation authorizing funds for Head Start, focusing on programs to prepare children to succeed in school and life, after receiving testimony from Windy M. Hill, Associate Commissioner of the Head Start Bureau, Administration on Children, Youth and Families, and G. Reid Lyon, Chief of the Child Development and Behavior Branch, National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, National Institutes of Health, both of the Department of

Health and Human Services; Grover J. Whitehurst, Director of Institute of Education Sciences, Department of Education; Marnie S. Shaul, Director of Education, Workforce and Income Security Issues, General Accounting Office; Amy Wilkins, Trust for Early Education, Washington, D.C.; and Janis Santos, Holyoke-Chicopee-Springfield Head Start, Inc., Springfield, Massachusetts, on behalf of the National Head Start Association.

## NOMINATIONS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Steven M. Colloton, of Iowa, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit, who was introduced by Senators Grassley and Harkin, and Representative Leach; P. Kevin Castel, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, Sandra J. Feuerstein, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York, Richard J. Holwell, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, and Stephen C. Robinson, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, all introduced by Senator Schumer; H. Brent McKnight, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of North Carolina, who was introduced by Representative Myrick; and R. David Proctor, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Alabama, who was introduced by Senators Shelby and Sessions, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

## WORLD COM

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded hearings to examine bankruptcy and competition issues in relation to the WorldCom Case, focusing on MCI's Chapter 11 filing, after receiving testimony from Dick Thornburgh, Kirkpatrick and Lockhart, LLP, William P. Barr, Verizon Communications, former U.S. Attorney General, and Morton Bahr, Communications Workers of America, all of Washington, D.C.; Nicholas DeB. Katzenbach, MCI Telecommunications, Ashburn, Virginia, former U.S. Attorney General; Mark A. Neporent, Cerberus Capital Management, LP, and Marcia L. Goldstein, Weil, Gotshal and Manges, LLP, both of New York, New York; and Douglas G. Baird, University of Chicago Law School, Chicago, Illinois, on behalf of the National Bankruptcy Conference.

## PRESCRIPTION DRUG ADVERTISING

*Special Committee on Aging:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the consequences of direct-to-consumer advertising of prescription drugs, focusing on the value to patients, the impact on the physician-patient relationship, health care costs and utili-

zation, and consumer and physician surveys, after receiving testimony from Janet Woodcock, Director, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Majorie E. Powell, Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America, and Nancy H. Nielsen, American Medical Association, both of Washington, D.C.; and Meredith B. Rosenthal, Harvard School of Public Health Department of Health Policy and Management, and Arnold S. Relman, Harvard Medical School, both of Boston, Massachusetts.

## NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 1588, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2004 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces.

## Committee Meetings

### WTO'S AGRICULTURAL NEGOTIATIONS

*Committee on Agriculture:* Held a hearing to review Geographical Indications and the World Trade Organization's agricultural negotiations. Testimony was heard from Jon W. Dudas, Deputy Under Secretary, Intellectual Property and Deputy Director, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

### CONSOLIDATION LOANS

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness held a hearing on "Consolidation Loans: What's Best for Past Borrowers, Future Students and U.S. Taxpayers?" Testimony was heard from Representatives Regula and DeLauro; and public witnesses.

### FASB DERIVATIVE ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection held a hearing entitled "FASB Derivative Accounting Standards." Testimony was heard from Leslie F. Seidman, member, Financial Accounting Standards Board; and public witnesses.

### CLEAN AIR ACT

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality held a hearing entitled "'Bump Up' Policy Under Title I of the Clean Air Act." Testimony was heard from Jeffrey Holmstead,

Assistant Administrator, Air and Radiation, EPA; R.B. Marquez, Commissioner, Natural Resource Conservation Commission, State of Texas; and public witnesses.

#### **FHA MULTIFAMILY LOAN LIMIT ADJUSTMENT ACT**

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity approved for full Committee action H.R. 1985, FHA Multifamily Loan Limit Adjustment Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Prior to this action, the Subcommittee held a hearing on this measure. Testimony was heard from John Weicher, Assistant Secretary, Housing/Federal Housing Commissioner, Department of Housing and Urban Development; and public witnesses.

#### **PAPERWORK AND REGULATORY IMPROVEMENTS ACT**

*Committee on Government Reform:* Held a hearing on H.R. 2432, Paperwork and Regulatory Improvements Act of 2003. Testimony was heard from John D. Graham, Administrator, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB; Thomas M. Sullivan, Chief Counsel for Advocacy; SBA; and public witnesses.

#### **U.S. AND THE EUROPEAN UNION**

*Committee on International Relations:* Subcommittee on Europe held a hearing on The United States and the European Union: Understanding the Partnership. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: Charles R. Ries, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of European and Eurasian Affairs; and Carl F. Lankowski, Deputy Director, Area Studies, Coordinator for European Area Studies, Foreign Service Institute.

#### **TERRORIST THREAT INTEGRATION CENTER—RELATIONSHIP WITH JUSTICE AND HOMELAND SECURITY DEPARTMENTS**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* and the Select Committee on Homeland Security held a joint hearing entitled "The Terrorist Threat Integration Center (TTIC) and Its Relationship with the Departments of Justice and Homeland Security." Testimony was heard from John O. Brennan, Director, Terrorist Threat Integration Center; Larry Mefford, Executive Assistant Director, Counterterrorism and Counterintelligence, FBI, Department of Justice; Bill Parish, Acting Assistant Secretary, Information Analysis, Directorate of Information Analysis and Infrastructure Protection, Department of Homeland Security; and a public witness.

#### **DEFENSE OF PRIVACY ACT**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law and the Subcommittee on the Constitution held a joint hearing on H.R. 338, Defense of Privacy Act, and Privacy in the Hands of the Government. Testimony was heard from Senator Grassley; and public witnesses.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet and Intellectual Property approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 2391, amended, Cooperative Research and Technology Enhancement (CREATE) Act of 2003; H.R. 2714, State Justice Institute Reauthorization Act of 2003; and H.R. 1768, Multidistrict Litigation Restoration Act of 2003.

#### **JOHN RISHEL GEOTHERMAL STEAM ACT AMENDMENTS**

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing on the John Rishel Geothermal Steam Act Amendments of 2003. Testimony was heard from Patricia Morrison, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Land and Minerals Management, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation and Public Lands held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 546, Kaloko-Honokohau National Historical Park Addition Act of 2003; H.R. 2457, Castillo de San Marcos National Monument Preservation and Education Act; and H.R. 2715, to provide for necessary improvements to facilities at Yosemite National Park. Testimony was heard from Representatives Case and Mica; Jon Jarvis, Regional Director, Pacific West Region, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; and a public witness.

#### **U.S. SINGAPORE FREE TRADE AGREEMENT IMPLEMENTATION ACT AND U.S. CHILE FREE TRADE AGREEMENT IMPLEMENTATION ACT**

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, a rule providing for consideration of H.R. 2738, United States-Chile Free Trade Implementation Act, under a closed rule providing 2 hours of debate in the House with one hour and forty minutes equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means and twenty minutes equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of H.R. 2738. The rule provides that pursuant to section 151(f)(2)

of the Trade Act of 1974, the previous question shall be considered as ordered on H.R. 2738 to final passage without intervening motion.

The rule further provides for consideration of H.R. 2739, U.S.-Singapore Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act, under a closed rule. The rule provides 2 hours of debate in the House on H.R. 2739 with one hour and forty minutes equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means and twenty minutes equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of H.R. 2739. The rule provides that pursuant to section 151(f)(2) of the Trade Act of 1974, the previous question shall be considered as ordered on H.R. 2739 to final passage without intervening motion. The rule provides that during consideration of H.R. 2738 or H.R. 2739, notwithstanding the operation of the previous question, the Chair may postpone further consideration of the bill to a time designated by the Speaker.

#### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Science:* Ordered reported, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 2734, Federal Aviation Administration Research and Development Reauthorization Act; H.R. 1085, NASA Flexibility Act of 2003; H.R. 1856, Harmful Algal Bloom and Hypoxia Research Amendments Act of 2003; H.R. 2801, Minority Serving Institution Digital and Wireless Technology Opportunity Act of 2003; H.R. 2608, National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program Reauthorization Act of 2003; and H.R. 2692, United States Fire Administration Authorization Act of 2003.

#### “FEDERAL PROCUREMENT POLICY: IS THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FAILING CERTAIN INDUSTRIAL SECTORS?”

*Committee on Small Business:* Subcommittee on Workforce, Empowerment and Government Programs held a hearing on “Federal Procurement Policy: Is the Federal Government Failing Certain Industrial Sectors?” Testimony was heard from Diedre Lee, Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense; Jody Falvey, Director, Office of Small Business Development, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

#### MANDATORY TRANSPORTATION PROGRAMS

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Held a hearing on elimination of waste, fraud and abuse in mandatory transportation programs as required by the fiscal year 2004 budget resolution reconciliation

instructions. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Kenneth M. Mead, Inspector General; and Mary E. Peters, Administrator, Federal Highway Administration; Jayetta Z. Hecker, Director, Physical Infrastructure Team, GAO; and the following officials of the Railroad Retirement Board: Martin J. Dickman, Inspector General; and Michael S. Schwartz, Chairman.

#### PORT SECURITY—INTERIM FINAL REGULATIONS

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing on Interim Final Regulations on Port Security. Testimony was heard from Adm. Thomas H. Collins, USCG, Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security; and public witnesses.

#### COMMITTEE BUSINESS

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Met in executive session to consider pending business.

#### “CYBERSECURITY—GETTING IT RIGHT”

*Select Committee on Homeland Security:* Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Science and Research and Development held a hearing entitled “Cybersecurity—Getting It Right.” Testimony was heard from Daniel G. Wolf, Information Assurance Director, NSA, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

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#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JULY 23, 2003

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

##### Senate

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Subcommittee on Housing and Transportation, to hold hearings to examine enhancing the role of the private sector in public transportation, 2:30 p.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* to hold hearings to examine public interest and localism, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* business meeting to consider the Protocol to Amend the Convention for the Unification of Certain Rules Relating to International Carriage by Air Signed at Warsaw on October 12, 1929, done at The Hague September 28, 1955 (The Hague Protocol) (Treaty Doc. 107-14), Agreement Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Russian Federation on the Conservation and Management of the Alaska-Chukotka Polar Bear Population done at Washington on October 16, 2001 (Treaty Doc. 107-10), Agreement Amending the Treaty

Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Canada on Pacific Coast Albacore Tuna Vessels and Port Privileges done at Washington May 26, 1981 (the "Treaty"), effected by an exchange of diplomatic notes at Washington on July 17, 2002, and August 13, 2002 (the "Agreement") (Treaty Doc. 108-1), The Convention for the Unification of Certain Rules for International Carriage by Air, done at Montreal May 28, 1999 (Treaty Doc. 106-45), Amendments to the 1987 Treaty on Fisheries Between the Governments of Certain Pacific Island States and the Government of the United States of America, with Annexes and agreed statements, done at Port Moresby, April 2, 1987, done at Koror, Palau, March 30, 1999, and at Kiritimati, Kiribati, March 24, 2002 (Treaty Doc. 108-2), H. Con. Res. 209, commending the signing of the United States-Adriatic Charter, a charter of partnership among the United States, Albania, Croatia, and Macedonia, S. Res. 184, calling on the Government of the People's Republic of China immediately and unconditionally to release Dr. Yang Jianli, and a Foreign Service Officer Promotion list received in the Senate on June 25, 2003, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine status and prospects for reconstruction relating to Iraq, 2:45 p.m., SH-216.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* business meeting to consider proposed Patient Safety and Quality Improvement Act of 2003, and the nominations of Daniel Pipes, of Pennsylvania, Charles Edward Horner, of the District of Columbia, and Stephen D. Krasner, of California, each to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the United States Institute of Peace, and Eric S. Dreiband, of Virginia, to be General Counsel of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, 10 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine S. 556, to amend the Indian Health Care Improvement Act to revise and extend that Act, 10 a.m., SR-485.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9 a.m., SH-216.

Full Committee, to resume oversight hearings on law enforcement and terrorism, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Rene Acosta, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, and Daniel J. Bryant, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, both of the Department of Justice, 2 p.m., SD-226.

*Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights,* to hold hearings to examine agricultural consolidation and the Smithfield/Farmland Deal, 4 p.m., SD-138.

## House

*Committee on Agriculture,* hearing to review the 2002 Wildlife Season and the Wildfire Threats of the 2003 Season, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Armed Services,* hearing on the Air Force Tanker Lease Proposal, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* Subcommittee on Environment and Hazardous Materials, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 382, Solid Waste International Transportation Act of 2003; H.R. 411, to direct the Adminis-

trator of the Environmental Protection Agency to carry out certain authorities under an agreement with Canada respecting the importation of municipal solid waste; and H.R. 1730, Solid Waste Interstate Transportation Act of 2003, 3 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Issues Relating to Ephra—containing Dietary Supplements," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services,* to consider the following: H.R. 1533, to amend the securities laws to permit church pension plans to be invested in collective trusts; H.R. 1985, FHA Multifamily Loan Limit Adjustment Act of 2003; "Changes in Law to Eliminate Waste, Fraud, and Abuse;" H.R. 253, Two Floods and You Are Out of the Taxpayers' Pocket Act of 2003; H.R. 2420, Mutual Funds Integrity and Fee Transparency Act of 2003; H.R. 2622, Fair and Accurate Credit Transaction Act of 2003; and H.R. 2179, Securities Fraud Deterrence and Investor Restitution Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Government Reform,* Subcommittee on Civil Service and Agency Organization and the Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources, joint hearing entitled "Federal Law Enforcement Personnel in the Post 9/11 Era: How Can We Fix an Imbalanced Compensation System?" 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Civil Service and Agency Organization, to mark up H.R. 2751, GAO Human Capital Reform Act of 2003, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Government Efficiency and Financial Management, oversight hearing entitled "SEC Strategic Planning—Will Additional Resources Help the SEC Fulfill It's Mission?" 2:30 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

*Committee on International Relations,* to mark up the following measures: H.J. Res. 63, to approve the "Compact of Free Association, as amended between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Federated States of Micronesia," and the "Compact of Free Association, as amended between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of the Marshall Islands," and otherwise to amend Public Law 99-239, and to appropriate for the purposes of amended Public Law 99-239 for fiscal years ending on or before September 30, 2023; H.R. 1813, Torture Victims Relief Reauthorization Act of 2003; and H.R. 2620, Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2003, 10:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Middle East and Central Asia, hearing on Central Asia: Terrorism, Religious Extremism, and Regional Stability, 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* to mark up the following bills: H.R. 1829, Federal Prison Industries Competition in Contracting Act of 2003; H.R. 292, Korean War Veterans Recognition Act of 2003; H. Res. 234, condemning bigotry and violence against Arab-Americans, Muslim-Americans, South Asian-Americans, and Sikh Americans; H.R. 2655, to amend and extend the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Programs Act of 1998; H.R. 1417, Copyright Royalty and Distribution Reform Act of 2003; and H.R. 1837, Services Acquisition Reform Act of 2003, 10:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.



*Committee on Small Business*, hearing on Assisting Small Businesses Through the Tax Code—Recent Gains and What Remains to be Done, 2 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, to consider the following: GSA Fiscal Year 2004 Capital Investment and Leasing Programs Resolutions and Courthouse Resolutions; Natural Resources Conservation Service Small Watershed Resolution; Transportation and Infrastructure Committee Waste, Fraud, and Abuse Reports; H.R.

2557, Water Resources Development Act of 2003; and other pending business, 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, executive hearing on Intelligence Issues, 10:30 a.m., and executive hearing on Legal Authorities, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

*Select Committee on Homeland Security*. Subcommittee on Infrastructure and Border Security, hearing entitled “Best Business Practices in Securing America’s Borders,” 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

9 a.m., Wednesday, July 23

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Wednesday:** After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 10 a.m.), Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 2555, Homeland Security Appropriations.

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

10 a.m., Wednesday, July 23

## House Chamber

**Program for Wednesday:** Consideration of H.R. 2799, Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2004 (open rule, complete consideration);

Consideration of H.R. 2800, Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2004 (open rule, one hour of general debate);

Consideration of H.R. 2738, to implement the United States-Chile Free Trade Agreement (closed rule, two hours of general debate);

Consideration of H.R. 2739, to implement the United States-Singapore Free Trade Agreement (closed rule, two hours of general debate);

Consideration of Suspensions:

(1) H.R. 1707, Prison Rape Reduction Act; and

(2) H. Res. 323, Supporting the goals and ideals of National Marina Day.

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